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The Soviet decision to extend more economic aid to Warsaw reflects Moscow's realization that it must help Jaruzelski's martial law regime because additional Western aid may not be available soon. Several Soviet officials earlier hinted that Moscow would be more generous now that the Polish regime had taken steps to reestablish its control, but did not rule out the possibility that the Kremlin would later apply the brakes on such aid if frictions develop with Warsaw. Somber assessments of the Polish situation in the Soviet press yesterday, coupled with generally positive treatment of the Polish regime, suggest that the Kremlin may be preparing its population for the unpopular idea of greater aid for the Polish economy. [REDACTED]

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Solidarity leaders who have escaped arrest are circulating more appeals for passive resistance to the martial law regime. According to press accounts, the head of the Solidarity chapter

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at a large tractor factory near Warsaw has called for "secret" preparations for a general strike. [REDACTED]

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25X1 Izvestiya, has levelled a personal attack on President Reagan, accusing him of taking "direct control of the business of directing all subversive work against socialist countries." The article, which focuses on Radio Free Europe's activities, also charges that RFE aims at increasing tension and promoting US interests. It accuses the station of prompting Poles to violate martial law. [REDACTED]

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